Economic Development Agricultural Advisory Board

Meeting Agenda Wednesday, October 20, 2021 (9:00 AM) at the Harford County Agricultural Center

- I. Call to Order
- II. Minutes of September 15, 2021 Meeting
- III. Old Business
 - i. Update on The Grove

Information at www.harfordcountymd.gov/TheGrove

<u>Upcoming Special Event</u>:

Harvest Festival – Saturday, October 23 (11:00 AM-6:00 PM)

- ii. Harford/Cecil Butcher Facility Workgroup
- iii. Agricultural Recycling

<u>Plastics</u> – Through December 1 Farm Tire Collection – Under Consideration

iv. Harford 250 Celebration in 2023
Identification of "Century Farms" in Harford County

- IV. Legislative and Agricultural Issues
- COUNCILMANIC REDISTRICTING
- FARM BREWERY LEGISLATION

Bill 21-012, Farm Brewery Moratorium, Passed by County Council on Tuesday, June 8

Farm Brewery Study Group Appointed, Including:

Agricultural Community Representative – Alice Archer

Farm Bureau Representative - Michele Magness-Hill

Bill 21-020 Introduced to County Council on Tuesday, September 7

Public Hearing Held on Tuesday, October 5

Amendment 1 (35% of product must be brewed on-site within 3 years) and Amendment 2 (removed occupancy requirement) Passed on Tuesday, October 12

Additional Amendment and Final Vote Scheduled on Tuesday, October 19

AGRICULTURAL ZONING AND BUILDING PERMITS

Notice of Public Hearing Before Harford County Zoning Hearing Examiner
Case No. 5945, Special Exception to Permit Construction Services Use in an Agricultural District
Jeffrey & Meghan Lancaster and J.L. Lancaster, LLC, 4522 Madonna Road, Street, MD 21154
First Hearing: Wednesday, September 29

Additional Hearings: Wednesdays, October 20 and November 3 (6:30 PM)

SOLAR FACILITIES ON AGRICULTURAL PROPERTIES

AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION PROGRAM

V. New Business

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VI. Farmers & Community Partnership of Harford County

Planning for Fall 2022 Symposium Underway

NEW DATES: NSDOAF (National Society of Descendants of American Farmers) Planning for Caucus at USDA in Washington, DC on Monday, June 28, 2022, with Tour of Harford County (hopefully) on Wednesday, June 30, 2022

VII. Agency/Organization Updates

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VIII. Upcoming Events

<u>NEW DATE</u>: Wednesday, November 17 (6:00 PM) – Harford County Farm Bureau Banquet & Annual Meeting at Pond View Farm

Friday, January 7, 2022 – Farm Bureau Legislative Dinner at Level Fire Hall 443rd General Assembly Session: January 12-April 11, 2022

Thursday, January 13, 2022 – Agri Business Forum at Howard County Fairgrounds

Thursday, February 3, 2022 – Taste of Maryland Agriculture at Live Casino & Hotel @ Arundel Mills

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 – Winter Agronomy Meeting at Deer Creek Overlook

Saturday February 26, 2022 – Harford County Farm Bureau Bull & Shrimp Roast at Jarrettsville Gardens

IX. 2021 Meeting Schedule

Economic Development Agricultural Advisory Board

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of every month, except June, July & August

9:00 AM

2021

January 20 – via WebEx May 19 - Cancelled October 20
February 17 - Cancelled June 16 November 17

March 17 – via WebEx no meetings in July & August December 15 (if needed)

April 21 - Hybrid September 15

X. Adjournment

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